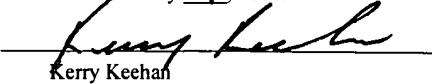


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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicants submit for consideration in the above-identified application the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of documents numbered 16-18 and 20-21 are included herewith. However, copies of documents numbered 1-15, 19, and 22-26 were previously submitted in related application Serial Number 09/126,705, filed July 30, 1998, and, accordingly, copies are not included herewith. This protocol conforms with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d) and M.P.E.P. 609(A)(2). The Examiner is requested to make these documents of record in the application.

However, Applicants have enclosed copies of English abstracts corresponding respectively to references numbered 22 and 23. The patent documents numbered 22 and 23 had been previously submitted.

Additionally Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the following related applications:

1. U.S. patent application Serial No. 08/734,442 filed on October 17, 1996 which issued on July 20, 1999 as U.S. patent No. 5,925,683;
2. U.S. patent application Serial No. 08/624,669 filed on April 2, 1996 which issued on September 23, 1997 as U.S. patent No. 5,669,931 (a CIP of 08/413,970 now abandoned, cited in the application);
3. U.S. patent application Serial No. 08/561,169 filed on November 21, 1995 which issued on July 1, 1997 as U.S. patent No. 5,643,254 (a CON of 08/205,512 now abandoned, cited in the application);
4. U.S. patent application Serial No. 08/481,453 filed on July 11, 1995 which issued on September 23, 1997 as U.S. patent No. 5,669,905 (a CIP of 08/205,512 now abandoned, cited in the application);
5. U.S. patent application Serial No. 08/690,183 filed on July 26, 1996 which issued on November 9, 1999 as U.S. patent No. 5,980,514; and
6. U.S. patent application Serial No. 08/588,195 filed on January 18, 1996 which issued on May 12, 1998 as U.S. patent No. 5,749,894.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), copies of the listed patent applications are not included.

This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted:

- Within three months of the application filing date or before mailing of a first Office Action on the merits; accordingly, no fee or separate requirements are believed to be required.
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  - A fee is required.
  - A Certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) is provided below; accordingly; no fee is believed to be due.
- After mailing of a final Office Action or Notice of Allowance, but before payment of the issue fee. Accordingly, a Petition requesting consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement, an authorization to charge our deposit account, and a Certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) are provided herein.

Applicants would appreciate the Examiner initialing and returning the Form PTO-1449, indicating that the information has been considered and made of record herein.

The information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 is to the best of my knowledge and is not to be construed as a representation that: (i) a complete search has been made; (ii) additional information material to the examination of this application does not exist; (iii) the information, protocols, results and the like reported by third parties are accurate or enabling; or (iv) the above information constitutes prior art to the subject invention.

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